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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the Director
for Planning and Coordination

SUBJECT: Attached paper: Possible Solution to the
Early Warning Problem

1. The attached paper, written for internal staff purposes, is the one I referred to at the time you briefed me some weeks ago. If you like, I would be very glad to rewrite it and eliminate some of the internal Clandestine Services jargon. The paper has been given to the SR Division and is under study there.

2. As a related matter, you should know that we are drafting a policy statement concerning "illegal" operations and their relative priority as compared with legal travel, defection, etc. The need for this paper has arisen as a result of a very strong shift in emphasis away from illegal operations that has taken place during the past year. We feel that the pendulum may have swung too far.



Chief,
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